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35 U.S.C. 111(a), is the patent application of

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For: STORAGE APPARATUS AND ITS  
FOCUS CONTROL METHOD

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- (X) 38 pages of specification, including 10 claims and an abstract.
- (X) an executed oath or declaration, with power of attorney.
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- ( )      sheet(s) of informal drawing(s).
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- (X) Assignment(s) of the invention to FUJITSU LIMITED and Assignment Cover Sheet.
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- (X) Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449 and cited references.
- ( ) Claim for Priority and Priority Document.

**Preliminary Amendment**

- (X) Please insert the following between the title and line 1 of the specification:  
"This is a continuation of International PCT Application No. PCT/JP01/02808 filed March 30, 2001."

**Fee Calculation For Claims As Filed**

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| a) Basic Fee                         |           |   |           |   |          | \$ 750.00                           |
| b) Independent Claims                | <u>4</u>  | - | <u>3</u>  | = | <u>1</u> | x \$ 84.00 = \$ <u>84.00</u>        |
| c) Total Claims                      | <u>16</u> | - | <u>20</u> | = | <u>0</u> | x \$ 18.00 = \$ <u>    </u>         |
| d) Fee for Multiple Dependent Claims |           |   |           |   |          | \$ 280.00 = \$ <u>280.00</u>        |
|                                      |           |   |           |   |          | Total Filing Fee \$ <u>1,114.00</u> |
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